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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
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For: **Aspiration Catheter Having a Variable Over-the-Wire Length and Methods of Use**
Inventor: Nareak DOUK
Our Ref: P1354 US (1737.2620000)

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Letter to PTO Draftsman: Submission of Formal Drawings;
2. Seven (7) sheets of formal drawings, approval of which is respectfully requested; and
3. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Submitted herewith are seven (7) sheets of formal drawings with Figures 1-7, corresponding to the informal drawings submitted with the above-captioned application. Identification of the drawings is provided in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(c). Acknowledgment of the receipt, approval, and entry of these formal drawings into this application is respectfully requested.

It is not believed that an extension of time is required, other than any already provided herewith. However, if an extension of time is needed to prevent abandonment of the application, then such extension of time is hereby petitioned. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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